

Alexandria Gazette

SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 17.

THE ORANGE.—This is the season of oranges, which we are receiving in abundance from Florida, as well as from Cuba and various parts of Southern Europe. Our domestic product has greatly increased within a few years, and is likely to increase very much more. The orange is believed by many to be a native of this country, in the region of the Gulf of Mexico, though it is probable that it was originally introduced there and naturalized. Botanists generally think of the sweet-bitter bergamot and other varieties of orange all of one species. The fruit is usually cultivated, and even then shows a marked tendency to degenerate. It is raised wherever the climate is warm enough, but flourishes best in subtropical districts. The old Greeks and Romans seem not to have known it; for it was, in all likelihood, taken to Europe by the Moors, and is believed to have been introduced into Italy as late as the fourteenth century, nearly 1,000 years later than the lemon or citron.

Of the sweet oranges the principal varieties are the Portugal or Lisbon orange, the China orange, said to have been brought from China by the Portuguese, and now widely cultivated in Southern Europe; the Malacca, or blood orange, and the Majorca, or seedless orange. The latter orange was extensively raised by the Moors in Spain, probably for medicinal purposes, and is still used for flavoring and for marmalade. The orange is more readily packed and preserved, along with its congeners, lemons, citrons, and limes, than any other fruit. It is a very valuable crop in Italy, Portugal, Spain, Malta, the Azores, and in Florida. Many people hold that our oranges are superior to any of those raised in Europe, and their quality is steadily improving. —N. Y. Times.

A PERFECT FAIR! At L. EICHBERG'S.—The display of SILKS, SATINS, DRESS GOODS, NOVELTIES AND FANCY GOODS. Call and see them at [ap 13-24] L. EICHBERG'S.

TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION.—We have now completed our stock of CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS AND MATTINGS. Call and see them. We defy competition here, in Washington or any where else. [ap 13-24] L. EICHBERG.

A WHOLESALE NOTION HOUSE ENTIRELY CLEARED OUT.—We have purchased an entire stock of Notions, Socks, Stockings, Fans, and various other small articles and will sell them at greatly reduced prices. This is an immense stock of Goods and they are all stored in our cellar, and marked down very cheap. Call and buy up a supply. [ap 13-24] L. EICHBERG.

Opening and Closing of the Mails.

CLOSING.
Washington, D. C., North and Northeastern mails 12 m. and 8 15 p. m.
Western mails 4 30 and 8 15 p. m.
Southern mails, via Richmond, Va., 6 00 a. m. and 6 00 and 8 15 p. m.
South and Southern mails, via Lynchburg, Virginia, 6 00 a. m. and 6 45 p. m.
Alexandria to Lynchburg, Va., (way mails) including through mails, 6 00 a. m. and 9 00 p. m.
Gordonsville and Charlottesville, Va., 6 00 a. m. and 9 00 p. m.
Harrisburg Division 6 00 a. m.
Alexandria to Round Hill, Va., 7 45 a. m.

OPENING.
Northern and Western mails, via Washington, D. C., 8 30 a. m. and 2 00 and 6 00 p. m.
Southern mails, via Richmond, Va., 8 30 a. m. and 1 00 p. m.
South Western mails via Lynchburg, Virginia, (through mails) including way mails on Midland Railroad, 8 30 a. m.
Manassas Division 8 30 a. m.
Round Hill to Alexandria, Va., 8 30 p. m.
Office Hours—Office opens at 8 30 a. m., and closes at 7 00 p. m.
Sunday Hours—Office opens at 8 45 a. m., and closes at 9 30 a. m.

REGULAR SPRING OPENING at L. EICHBERG'S, commencing April 13, this Tuesday morning. [ap 13-24]

THE HEIGHTS OF FASHION can be seen in Dress Goods, with trimmings suitable to match, at [ap 13-24] L. EICHBERG'S.

SHIRTS, from S. & J. S. BUNTING'S LARGE AUCTION SALES in Philadelphia, are just opened in plain colors, fancy and black, at a great sacrifice, at [ap 13-24] L. EICHBERG'S.

FISH DEALERS.

FISH! Having completed our arrangements for the season of 1880, we are now prepared to fill all orders at the shortest notice for FRESH and SALT POTOMAC FISH.
To dealers we would say that our brand has always stood No. 1 in our market, and we intend to maintain our reputation. We ship fish packed in ice, so that persons ordering can depend on getting them fresh. All orders entrusted to us will receive prompt attention. Our fish house is No. 1 Corporation fish wharf and falls Nos. 2, 3 and 4 City Market.
Mr. W. H. SMITH is now connected with us, and will attend to all orders entrusted to him. [ap 13-24] GEO. E. PRICE & CO.

NOTICE.

I have just resumed my FISH PACKING BUSINESS. At No. 21 CORPORATION FISHWHARF, where I will be prepared to furnish all kinds of POTOMAC FISH.
free of salt, at the shortest notice. I solicit your patronage, especially my old customers, and guarantee that my past reputation shall be fully sustained.
All orders from the country promptly attended to, and on as good terms as if the parties were present. Respectfully yours, [ap 13-24] S. J. NEED.

ICE! ICE!

J. W. HENDERSON,
Market Space,
Is prepared to furnish families and the trade generally with the best NORTHERN ICE on terms as reasonable as any other dealer.
Wagons will make daily rounds.
Sundays included, at all hours, for the retail trade. [ap 13-24]

DO YOUR COOKING BY STEAM! which is the purest and best, best known for the purpose. Call and examine the "COMMON SENSE COOKER." For sale by [ap 13-24] JAMES F. CARLIN & SONS.

JAMES F. CARLIN & SONS,
63 King street,
Offer to the trade at lowest market rates CHOPPING AXES,
of the Warren, Mann's Warrior and the famous Carlin's Light Horse Harry brands. [ap 13-24]

CORN POPPERS!

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For sale at [ap 13-24] McLEAN & UHLER'S, 76 King street.

RUMFORD'S YEAST POWDER—60 lbs.

(10 gross) Rumford's Yeast Powder received to-day by [ap 13-24] J. C. MILBURN.

25 BBLs OATMEAL, fine and coarse, received to-day by

[ap 13-24] J. C. MILBURN.

BEST ITALIAN MACARONI received to-day and for sale by

[ap 13-24] J. C. MILBURN.

BUTTER—Fresh Creamery Butter, choice, also good Virginia Butter, received to-day by

[ap 13-24] J. C. MILBURN.

25 BBLs CHOICE FAMILY and EXTRA FLOUR just received by

[ap 13-24] J. C. MILBURN.

EXCELSION, made by J. J. Turner & Co, for sale by

[ap 13-24] THOMAS PERRY, Agt.

APPLES—8 bbls BALDWIN APPLES for sale by

[ap 13-24] THOMAS PERRY, Agt.

SMALL HAMS for sale low by

[ap 13-24] J. C. MILBURN.

SHOULDERS received to-day by

[ap 13-24] R. W. AVERY, 226 King street.

CHOICE WHITE SEED OATS for sale by

[ap 13-24] THOMAS PERRY, Agt.

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